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Applicant(s): Arnold Eckhardt
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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated May 18, 2001, enclosed are:

- (X) A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts.
- (X) An executed Declaration for Patent Application, including Power of Attorney.
- (X) Assignment(s) of the invention to DUNLOP GmbH, and Recordation Form Cover Sheet - Patents Only - Form PTO-1595.
- (X) A check in the amount of \$ 40.00 to cover the fee for recording the assignment(s).
- (X) An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 Form, and (14) fourteen references.

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(X) Fee Calculation:

Fee Calculation For Claims As Filed

() Provisional Application Basic Fee \$ 150.00 \$ _____
 • Surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(1) \$ 50.00 \$ _____
 or

(X) Non-Provisional Utility Application \$710.00 \$ 710.00
 Basic Fee
 • Independent 2 - 3 = x \$ 80.00 = \$.00
 Claims
 • Total Claims 26 - 20 = 6 x \$ 18.00 = \$ 108.00
 • Fee for Multiply Dependent Claims x \$270.00 = \$
 • Surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) x \$130.00 = \$ 130.00
 or

() Design Application Basic Fee \$320.00 \$ _____
 • Surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) \$130.00 \$ _____
 Total Filing and/or Surcharge Fee \$ 948.00

() Small Entity Fee (reduced by half) \$ _____

() Statement(s) of Status as Small Entity.

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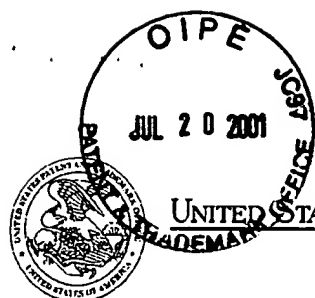
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$108.
 - \$108 for 6 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 948.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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